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FOR YOUR HEALTH: The NJ Health Services Development Program is offering \$6 million in grants to encourage the development of innovative projects in community-based health care. The program is sponsored by the Robert Wood Foundation. — NEWARK

SENIOR LINE: The ElderCare Locator, a national toll-free number identifying local information and services for senior citizens has recently been activated. The number, 1-800-677-1116, gives access to a network of organizations serving the elderly at state, county, and municipal levels. — ELIZABETH

FLORIO APPLAUDED ON FRAUD: The Garden State Automotive Federation, representing the NJ auto repair industry, applauded Gov. Florio's crack down on auto insurance fraud. The law includes a crack down on unlicensed automotive shops in the state. — TRENTON

AID FOR ESSEX: Essex County will be receiving a \$2.4 million grant from the Department of Transportation as part of the Capital Transportation Program. Several section improvements will be made in the county. — TRENTON

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Green is in — First black elected to Assembly from District 17

Orange Mayor Robert Brown, Senator Wynona Lipman, Assemblywoman Stephanie Bush, and Assemblyman Willie Brown also victorious.



Assemblyman elect, Robert Brown

by Stacey Peterson

In a landmark election, Plainfield resident and Union County Freeholder Jerry Green became the first black ever elected to the Assembly from this District, allowing Democrats to hold on as Republicans around them claimed much of the state.

The race was seen as a significant one as it pitted a conservative ticket of African American Ed Tiller, Barbara Weigel, and Frank Santoro against Green and longtime public servants John Lynch and Bob Smith, who were able to maintain their seats. Tiller did give Lynch a run for his money and even defeated him in several municipalities including: Bound Brook, Middlesex, Piscataway, and South Plainfield.

Other results in the City News

readership include victories by: William J. Pasceri Jr. as Assemblyman for the 35th District, along with Frank Canania and Martin G. Barnes. John A. Giganti held his Senate seat.

In Districts 31, 32, 33, Assembly winners were, Joseph V. Doria, Joseph Charles, Jr., Anthony Imprevato and David C. Kronic, and Assemblymen Bernard F. Kenney, Jr. and Louis A. Romano. Edward T. O'Connor, Jr. was victorious in the 31st District's Senate race along with Thomas F. Cowan in the 32nd District, and Robert Menendez in the 33rd.

Democrats were able to hold onto both the Assembly and Senate seats in the 27th, 28th, and 29th Districts. In the 27th, Assemblywoman Stephanie Bush and Orange Mayor Robert L. Brown were winners.

In the 28th, Assemblymen Harry A. McEneaney and James Zangari won, and in the 29th District, Assemblymen Willie Brown and Jackie Mattson were elected to their seats. Senate winners were Richard J. Codey in the 27th District, Ronald Rice, in the 28th, and Wynona Lipman, who was running unopposed, retained her Senate seat in the 29th District.

In District 25, which covers Morris County, Republican Assemblymen Arthur R. Albano and Rodney P. Frelinghuysen were victorious while the Senate race saw the re-election of Senator John H. Dorsey.

Of the few local elections, there were not many surprises.

In Hillsdale, Ann Flood was vic-



Assemblyman elect, Jerry Green

torious over John O'Shea, a Republican. East Orange voters were Carolyn V. Meacham, Charles Robinson, Jr., Mark Scollard, Phillip Thigpen, and Mary Patterson. All

were running unopposed.

In Plainfield, Republican city activist Donna Vose won in a landslide against Nancy Jordan for the seat vacated by Jon Bramnick. Also, longtime Councilman Earl Robinson was handily defeated by Fabeenah El-Amin who had won the Democratic nomination from Robinson earlier in the year. Republican newcomer Elliot Simmons was also victorious.

Morristown winners were: GOP incumbent Mary Rolio, Michael Andrisano, Robert Mast, and William Barber.

Politics watchers believe this race will be indicative of what's later to come for Governor Jim Florio as Republicans took over a large chunk of the Assembly and Senate. Much of the Florio backlash began during last election shortly after his controversial tax package was passed. With the Assembly numbers

favoring Republicans 58-22 and the Senate being of Republican control 27-13, they are now in a position to override any lawmaking attempts by the Governor.



Senator Wynona Lipman

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Study reveals blacks, Hispanics denied credit more than whites

WASHINGTON — The Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC) recently announced the availability of data relating to 1990 mortgage lending activity in metropolitan areas across the nation.

Nationwide aggregates from preliminary data, which for the first time also contain information about the race and national origin of loan applicants, also were announced. Those data indicate that significant differences exist in loan approval rates among different racial/ethnic groups, with denial of credit more likely for black and Hispanic appli-

cants than for white applicants.

Governor John P. LaWare, chairman of the FFIEC, described these statistics as worrisome and said the new HMDA data will be used by the regulators as an additional tool to ensure compliance with community reinvestment and fair lending laws.

The specific findings are discussed in an article, "Home Mortgage Disclosure Act: Expanded Data on Residential Lending," released at the press briefing. Written for the Federal Reserve Bulletin, the article gives an overview of the HMDA reporting system, describes analy-

tical studies based on geographic data available under the old system, and discusses some potential uses of the new data. It also cautions that, given certain limitations of the HMDA data, the lending patterns reflected by the HMDA statements alone cannot establish whether lenders are treating applicants fairly and on a nondiscriminatory basis. Foremost among the limitations is a lack of information in the HMDA data about factors important in determining the creditworthiness of applicants and the adequacy of collateral offered as security for their loans.

NY Supreme Court Justice Bruce Wright at Paterson NAACP dinner



NY Supreme Court Justice Bruce M. Wright

Photo by Freddie Robinson

by Freddie Robinson

PATERSON — Even the Indian summer weather, so-called of its mild spring-like days recently,

was seemingly in concert with the Paterson Branch NAACP annual dinner keynote speaker and the anticipating crowd, as the local group celebrated its 23rd Freedom Fund Dinner.

NY State Supreme Court Justice Bruce M. Wright, tall, courtly, grandfatherly charming, stepped to the podium and captivated an audience of 200 or more for forty minutes. Held in the William Paterson College Student Center Ballroom, the attentive crowd punctuated his remarks with robust applause.

"My fellow spiritual warriors, bleeding internally from the racist wounds of America's cruel blessings; my fellow swimmers against the current, who sometimes feel like screaming to the Heavens, 'King Christ, this world is all a-leak and life-boats there are none'; my fellow African Americans, who sometimes wear masks; you should never forget that any black person in

America who is not paranoid, is sick," said Judge Wright beginning his poetic oration.

Of Clarence Thomas having been confirmed a US Supreme Court Justice, Judge Wright commented, "Yes, he's qualified legally. However, he's emotionally passing for white and a very conservative one at that. It doesn't bode well for African Americans." He added, "The truth is Anita Hill is more qualified for elevation to the high bench than Thomas; apart from my belief that Anita told the truth during the hearing," the justice said.

The son of a black father and a white mother, Wright himself has been surrounded with his own controversies. When he served as a Criminal Court Justice, the mostly white NYC Policemen Union at that time nicknamed him "Tum 'em loose Bruce," because of their perceiving him as being too lenient in (continued on page 3)

Leonard Coleman, Jr. to receive Legacy Award



Leonard Coleman

WAYNE — Leonard Coleman, Jr., a vice president of Kidder, Peabody & Co. and a resident of Middletown will be honored for his contributions to New Jersey's growth and development during the third annual Legacy Award Dinner at William Paterson College in Wayne on Saturday, November 16.

Coleman will be recognized for his life-long commitment to ethics in government and to social issues. The award, given for "singular impact in shaping our region," is presented in the spirit of William Paterson, the statesman after whom the college is named.

Prior to joining Kidder, where he specializes in New Jersey mu-

nicipal financings, Coleman served as commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs from 1986-88, where he headed a \$250 million program involving municipal and county governments, housing, and the state's aging and women populations.

Coleman served a four-year term as commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Energy prior to becoming DCA commissioner. While in state government, he was the chairman of the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission and the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency. From 1976 to 1980, Coleman (continued on page 2)

Minolta kicks off Star Schools Program in Newark

RAMSEY — The Minolta Corporation recently announced the beginning of an innovative educational program at the Newark Museum's Dreyfus Planetarium in order to expand children's interest in science and astronomy.

The Minolta Star Schools Program will reach out to New Jersey's elementary school science teachers

and students through training workshops, educational materials, and a new Planetarium shop designed especially for young people.

"As the world's largest supplier of advanced planetarium projectors, Minolta has long been committed to increasing scientific awareness in young people," said Minolta Corporation Sam Kusumoto. "As-

tronomy is a fascinating introduction to the study of science, and we feel the 'Minolta Star Schools Program' will help ensure a solid, well-rounded education for the thousands of children who participate in it."

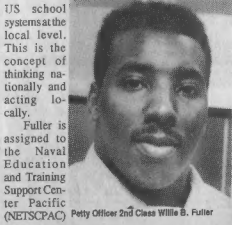
"Minolta's interest in planetarium goes back to 1956 when the company's founder, Kazuo (continued on page 3)

Newark Navy man helps in urban schools

by H. Mark Burton

SAN DIEGO — When President Bush and the 50 state governors released their first 245-page "Report Card" on the nation's educational progress in September, it contained information concerning the need for improved education by the year 2000.

As part of a grass roots effort to paint a brighter picture for education in America, many people like Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Willie B. Fuller of Newark are volunteering their own time and effort to ad-



Petty Officer 2nd Class Willie B. Fuller

in San Diego. Through the Navy's Personal Excellence Partnership Program, which is a long-term commitment to help the nation's youth become better educated, healthy and fit citizens, the command has for the past several years adopted Altono E. Horton Elementary School. The partnership list in San Diego alone now includes more than 80 Navy commands. (continued on page 6)

CITY PEOPLE

Vesta Godwin inducted to RU Board of Trustees

Vesta M. Godwin of Westfield was recently inducted as an Alumni Trustee to the Rutgers University Board of Trustees.

Miss Godwin is a 1981 Graduate of Rutgers' Livingston College. She is a member of the Rutgers African American Alumni Alliance and Livingston College Alumni Association. She is an active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and belongs to Eta Omicron Zeta Chapter of Plainfield.



Vesta Godwin

The Uptown Connection appearing in East Orange



The Uptown Connection

EAST ORANGE—The Uptown Connection, featuring Robin Ballout, Karen Jackson, and Sarah Ann Rodgers under the direction of John Modley, will appear at the East Orange Public Library, 21 South Arlington Avenue, Sunday, November 17 from 2-4 p.m.

The Uptown Connection evolved from a larger group known

as the John Modley Singers and has entertained throughout the United States and Europe. They have appeared with such prominent performers as Dizzy Gillespie and jazz drummer Max Roach.

The Uptown Connection has just completed a three week engagement in Judy's Cabaret and Restaurant in New York City.

People on the move...

Admitted author Mary E. Wilkins Freeman will be honored at the fourth annual New Jersey Literary Heritage Celebration being held at both Kean College and the Newark Public Library. Joseph F. McDougall, has been chosen to serve on the Mercer County Community College Board of Trustees. Ann Henschel of Trenton has been awarded the *Communication Industry Achievement Program (CIAP)* of New Jersey Civil Engineering Technology Scholarship. Henry Sullivan of Nashua, NH has been named Mary Kay National sales director. James L. Cooper, Esq., a senior partner in the Law Firm of Cooper Partners April Hadenstein Waggoner & Levinson, PA, has been elected as a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Eduardo DeHalla of Newark has been named director of facilities planning and construction at Kean College. Ray Wilkins, Ph.D., has been named the new Executive Director of the National Commission on AIDS. Kevin Worthen, a Newark teacher, is the new Director of the Trenton/South Jersey Division of the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship to Disadvantaged Youth. The Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission received its 6th consecutive *Cable Award* for Programming Excellence from the Public Television Network of New Jersey. George R. Zeffing, NJ Commissioner of Commerce and Economic Development, was named CEO of Constellation Bancorp. The following were winners in the JFK Medical Center's Heart & Soul Race: Antonio Campos of Elizabeth; Debrale Soose of New Brunswick; Marlo Batista of Hillsdale; Sandy Giffen of Rahway; Marvin Hawkins of Newark; Jose Diaz of Elizabeth; and Charles Singletary of New Brunswick.

The Magic of Earvin Johnson

Last week we learned that one of the best and most beloved athletes of all time has contracted the HIV virus. He does not have AIDS, but we all know that it is extremely probable that he will someday. Let's not focus on the hows and whys of how he contracted this awful disease. Let's focus on the man, what he means to us all, and his newest and greatest challenge.

Last Thursday, when he publicly announced that he was infected with the disease, he immediately said he would retire and that he would spend his time educating people around the country about the importance of safe sex and being careful.

Just the fact that this sports legend is going to hit the streets and address young people, shows the style and class of this man, and known to everyone as "Magic."

Kevin Johnson of the Phoenix Suns and David Stern, commissioner of the NBA said that maybe this is God's way of getting the seriousness of this disease home to the people it is hitting the most. Who knows? Hearing newscasters say "Magic Johnson has the HIV virus," and seeing him continually on the television being strong, positive, and even jovial, really makes everyone stop and take a look at themselves. No, it is not a gay or poor person's disease and no, it's not just restricted to drug users and the lowly of society. Magic Johnson is proof of that.

Magic, you are loved, you are supported, and if the disease can be beaten by anyone, you will do it. Also, we hope this devastating news is not a tragedy one day and forgotten the next.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

PLAINFIELD—The November meeting of the Plainfield Action Services Community Action Board of Directors will take place at 7:30 p.m. on the first floor of the City Hall Annex. Call 908-753-3519 for info.

PLAINFIELD—A multi-media exhibit, "You See It" will run thru Nov. 30 at Swath Galleries. Call 908-756-1707 for info.

JERSEY CITY—The JCS Women's Center Nutrition series continues Wednesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m. Call 201-547-8186 for info.

E. HANOVER—The New Jersey Water Color Annual Open Exhibition continues at the Nabisco Brands Gallery thru Dec. 6th. Call 201-682-7140 for info.

NEWARK—Sammy Price will perform at the Newark Public Library as part of the Sarah Vaughan Jazz Festival. The show will take place from noon to 1:30 in Continental Hall. For more information call 201-733-7793.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

JERSEY CITY—The Jersey City State College theater dept. will present "Ties at the Gates," adapted by Christopher Fry from a play by Jean Giraudoux at the Margaret Williams Theater thru Nov. 17. Call 201-200-3151 for info.

NEWARK—Marty Napoleon will perform from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Newark Public Library as part of the Sarah Vaughan Jazz Festival. For more information call 201-733-7793.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

PLAINFIELD—The Capital Jersey Chamber of Commerce will be holding their 73rd Annual Meeting on Friday November 15 at the Plainfield Country Club. Congressman Dick Zimmer will be the keynote speaker. For more information call 908-754-7250.

Coping

by

Dr. Charles W. Faulkner



Four tough questions

Dear Dr. Faulkner:

I have four tough questions for you and I don't want any slipping, sliding and giving from you. I want you to answer these questions honestly:

1) Why are so many white people racists? 2) How bad is racism? 3) What can black people do to get rid of discrimination-and-for-all? 4) Don't you think that most foreigners do not discriminate against black people?"

Mr. A.

Petersburg, VA.

Dear Mr. A.:

It would be necessary for me to write a couple of books in order to answer your questions completely. Several years ago, I wrote 30 articles about the many aspects of racism. I have mailed copies of those articles to you.

Here are my brief answers to your questions: 1) Blacks have been perceived as incomplete, incompetent, inferior people since they were brought to this country as slaves. Many whites (and some blacks) still hold this perception, even though evidence clearly shows that blacks have made tremendous contributions to this country (and to the world). Today, many whites get a feeling of power when they are able to denigrate blacks. It is because of this psychological fulfillment that whites get from discriminating against blacks that motivate whites to perpetuate racism and makes racism permanent, under present conditions.

2) Racism is about as bad today as it has ever been since blacks were brought to this country in chains. Virtually every medium (radio, TV, newspapers) portrays blacks as drug dealers, crooks, and the worst Americans. This is usually a deliberate effort to divide the races and to have blacks and whites hate each other. For this reason, acts of disrespect, abuse, and hatred against blacks are

more open, blatant, ugly, and more common than I have ever seen them. Even the most innocent looking whites seem to go out of their way to let blacks know how much they are disliked. Some older blacks have told me that racism is more common now than it was in the 1930s.

3) I firmly believe that if black people fail to take organized acts of civic disobedience, racism will simply get worse. Even the President endorses racial antagonism by refusing to sign the Civil Rights Bill, by using provocative racially divisive tactics for political purposes, by letting brutality against blacks (by police and others) remain a minor national issue while the President speaks out against injustice in other countries, and by allocating billions of dollars abroad to eliminate suffering in other countries while letting poor in this country starve. Blacks must take "A National Day Off" and refuse to go to work. This would virtually shut the country down and make it take notice of the value of blacks to the proper operation of this society. Then some quick solutions to racism would appear. Blacks should use the same tough tactics that organizations use to fight anti-semitism, the right to life, the National Neglect of AIDS, and discrimination against gays. Blacks need to stop crying and talking. They need to get tough so that our children will have a decent society to grow up in.

4) Some foreigners do not appear to be as racist against blacks as are other non-black Americans. Nevertheless, many people who come to America from other countries still use blacks as psychological punching bags by disrespecting blacks just as vehemently as do other non-black Americans.

Dr. Charles W. Faulkner has moved. Please make note that his new address is PO Box 22219, Sacramento, CA 95822.

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worked in Africa as a missionary for the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, providing management/consultant services in health care, education and church and community development in 17 African countries.

Coleman has been president of the Greater Newark Urban Coalition and currently serves on the Boards of a number of organizations, including the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change, the Newark Museum and the Episcopal Diocese of Newark. He is chairman of the Bishop Tutu Scholarship Fund in New Jersey, president of the Boys and Girls Club of Newark and the New Jersey chairman of President Bush's Points of Light Initiative.

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Apartheid: A long hunter's trail without an ending

by Daniel Marolen

WASHINGTON, DC, NPWA—Africans of yore bequeathed mankind a wide sage—one of many, many proverbs of ancient wisdom—which says, "A long hunter's trail leads to no meat." Surely, something that hangs or trails for a long distance usually has an unpleasant or disastrous ending.

The same may be said also about Nelson Mandela whose time since President F.W. de Klerk released him on February 2, 1990 is dragging on much longer than it was expected to end apartheid in South Africa. No one knew then that it would take so long to institute democracy after his release before change took place in the racist-ruled country. So far, South Africa hasn't shifted an inch towards democratization. Mandela's release has been a trail that has not yielded any results.

After almost 28 years imprisonment, Nelson Mandela's release signalled to millions of people around the globe that time was ripe and had arrived for change and the end of apartheid. That euphoria was universal and vociferous. But it is ending distastefully.

But Nelson Mandela's release by the white-minority he has, according to de Klerk, purported to end apartheid and to launch the country's

freedom and democracy, has become the proverbial "long trail that has no meat." It has not brought about any change or democratization. South Africa's native inhabitants are still shackled by apartheid...

Mandela's time outside prison has dragged on for too long, with disastrous consequences. Although some tinkering with past parliamentary legislation have taken place, apartheid remains very much in place. It irks, kills, deprives, and dehumanizes the disenfranchised African inhabitants of mineral-rich South Africa. They remain squeezed into overcrowded "bantustans."

There's no relief from white domination, save the wily tinkering of President de Klerk with past legislation, accompanied by propaganda. Twenty-one long and wasted months have passed since Mandela's historic release from jail. But, not even the long-promised "negotiations" have begun between white and black leaders towards launching a new constitution. Nay, the so-called "negotiations" have not even been planned. There's nothing on the racial-political drawingboard except the much-abused term "negotiations."

Since his release, Nelson Mandela has meritoriously performed a Herculean task of intimating to the world what is wrong in

South Africa, and what should be done about it. He has aroused concern and pricked people's consciences. But, on the contrary, President de Klerk has done everything in his power to cause some foreign countries to lift sanctions, and to bring back South Africa into the family of world nations which had isolated the racist-ruled state.

That's all that has been done since Mandela was set free in 1990. The rest is well known current history. Turmoil! Genocide! Lawlessness! The country has become ungovernable. Law and order are non-existent and de Klerk's enemies, black and white, have multiplied. Violence is on the rampage. De Klerk's subterfuge is that a "peace accord" will end the violence and apartheid! He hopes that the "accord" will end apartheid, turmoil, lack of law and order, and the innumerable human carnage and genocide.

De Klerk's deadlines have not been met. No "negotiations" have taken place. Nor is there any prospect of them in sight. But de Klerk's term of office is inextricably ticking to an end. Whiteblowmen have sounded the clarion call, but were not heeded. The headstrong racist regime won't budge! It eschews to South Africa democratized. Where is world concern? Where is man's reason?

Friends and allies of the racist regime, beware! God's index finger is pointing at you! The countless victims of apartheid genocide will

be blamed by God on you! It isn't blacks killing blacks. It's you and the apartheid racist regime! The worst is still to come. Blood will

flow like river water in the streets and veld of South Africa on a colossal scale!

Minolta's Star Schools Program

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Tashina, realized that bright city lights and industrial haze was robbing many would-be astronomers of the pleasure of star-gazing. "For 35 years now we have been bringing the beauty of the night sky to as many people as possible. We are very happy that we can work with the Newark Museum to introduce yet another generation to the wonders of astronomy."

The launch of the Minolta Star Schools Program coincides with the re-opening of the Alice and Leonard Dreyfuss Planetarium, after a one-year reconstruction project designed by the world-renowned architect, Michael Graves. The newly-refurbished Planetarium will continue to feature an advanced Minolta MS-8

projector as its centerpiece, surrounded and augmented by state-of-the-art audio visual equipment.

The Minolta Star Schools Program will have three key elements: a formal training program for elementary school teachers in astronomy education at the Dreyfuss Planetarium; a new and innovative on-site Planetarium show especially for school children in kindergarten through third grade; and pre- and post-visit lesson materials for teachers who visit the planetarium with their classes.

As part of the program, a core group of approximately 55 "Minolta Star Teachers" from Newark and other northern New Jersey communities will be brought to the Dreyfuss Planetarium for special training in astronomy education for young stu-

dents. They will learn how to use equipment, such as binoculars and telescopes, in order to observe celestial phenomena, and will be provided with Minolta binoculars for use in their classrooms as a basic instructional tool. These "Star Teachers" will then act as resources for their school systems in the use of astronomy to stimulate science education.

The development of the Minolta Star Schools Program involves a core group of Newark-based teachers who will help guide the Dreyfuss Planetarium staff as they develop the curriculum. In addition, an advisory committee consisting of professionals in the fields of science, astronomy, and education will evaluate the program curriculum prior to its implementation.

NAACP dinner

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applying bail and sentencing of African Americans and Latinos who appeared before him. "I don't dislike all cops, some of my best friends are white cops," he rebutted wittily.

But the 72-year-old justice remains a respected member, and a considered intellectual gadfly, among his largely white judicial colleagues in New York City. And those who know him well, know of his great love of poetry. Of his judicial observations he has authored "Black Robes, White Justice," now in its eighth printing in hardcover.

Remarking on the Rodney King beating last spring by members of the Los Angeles Police Department that was recorded by an onlooker and consequently shown repeatedly across the country, provoking widespread condemnation of the policeman's behavior, Wright suggested that "blacks should travel with cancaners," as a deterrent of such assaults.

The Paterson Branch, established fifty-two years ago, presented annual awards. The 1991 Community Service Award was presented to the Rev. Frederick H. LaGarde, Sr., Pastor of Community Baptist Church of Love. Rev. LaGarde founded the church-operated Come-Unity School in 1983: "To Train Tomorrow's Leaders Today." In addition to an intensive grounding in the basics, Come-Unity's classroom instruction is guided by the principles of high self-esteem and respect: a positive self image; excellence in all things; respect for God's authority and each other; Christian ethics, morals and the Bible.

And the 1991 Floyd "Tookie" Hinton Youth Award was presented to Tashina Owens, 15, formerly at St. Theresa's School where she was named Valedictorian of her graduating class and is now a student at Paterson Catholic Regional High School. She is an active student, also in the Youth Chorus and in her church, First A.M.E. Zion, as well. Her parents are Mr. & Mrs. John Owens, owner of Owens Chrysler Dealership, East Orange.

Apparently Judge Wright offered the NAACP a challenge and an ironic invocation: "Let us then remain activists. And for those of you who are religious and lean heavily upon that great bearded Healer in the sky, pray that Clarence Thomas will be born again and realize the truth of his mirror."

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Put up your Dukes:

Does a leopard really change its spots?

A strange phenomenon is taking place in Louisiana — an "ex" Klansman has his left foot in the door and his right foot close behind to the Governorship of the state. His name is David Duke and he is a man that should be given some very serious consideration by all Americans regardless of their race, creed or religious background.

He maintains that he is working for the betterment of all people but we maintain that he must be viewed under a microscope.

This man is an admitted Klan head and who knows how many minorities and women he has degraded as a leader of one of the most noted hate groups in the history of this country. He is the leader of the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of White People) and has likened his struggle to that of Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas.

We've seen that when groups like the skinheads and Aryan Nation leader Richard Metzger, claim they want equal rights for whites, they do not care about those for others. If Duke is in this same boat, then nothing good can come of his becoming Governor. Also, let's not forget the implications for the rest of the country. Known and unknown hate mongers will be coming out of the woodwork, even more than they already have, and start taking their places in the Mayor's office, the Governor's mansion, the White House...



by Sharon Khadijah Vincent

While all the talk about who were the losers and winners in the November 5, 1991 elections results continues, it seems that virtually no one has focused on the group which lost the most in this election — children. To be even more specific, if you are a child who lives in one of the major urban cities, or depressed rural areas of our country, you became a very big loser.

In Holyoke, MA, the voters elected to deny the allocation of three million dollars in emergency aid to the schools, even though the children in that school district are forced to sit in overcrowded classrooms of an average of 45 students per class; use old and outdated books; have a shortage of teachers, as well as books and other instructional material; and are forced to sit in crumbling buildings. Yet, the voters decided to spend two million dollars on a garbage dump.

In New Jersey, the sweeping win of Republican candidates in the Senate and Assembly have been summed up by party spokesmen as a resounding "no" to any additional aid and help to urban areas and school districts, who will just have to suffer with their municipal overburden. Any future efforts to receive equity in educational funding for children in poorer school

districts will be met with continued rebuke by legislators at the state level. Republican party officials have clearly stated that they will oppose any attempt to correct these gross inequities, because people just don't care about providing quality education to poor children — and it really doesn't matter what nationality or color they are.

Yes, everyone is concerned about rising costs and taxes. But, as in past elections, there was no national debate about what the American people see as national priorities. Since the general sentiment appears to be against raising taxes to pay for desperately needed social programs, these needs to be a forum developed to sit what the American people want to do about the steady decline of their students; academic performance and achievement; increase of women and children living in poverty; increase in the infant mortality rate; homelessness; drugs; health care crisis, etc.

There were plenty of negative campaign ads, with the candidates making all sorts of allegations against one another. Lots of money was spent on direct mailing campaigns, glossy brochures and flyers. There were special interests groups working against the voters for the various candidates, urging their members to show their clout, and teach whomever a lesson. Yet, there was still very

little debate or discussion which engaged the vast majority of the electorate around critical issues, which must be solved now — not later.

Do people want to keep spending billions on the military, industrial complex, with more money being invested in the development and building of one bomb, rather than on financing an entire school district? Do people want to keep spending money on building more jails, rather than on building more schools? Do people want to continue to ignore the fact that more children are living in poverty than any other group? Do people want to continue to spend billions of dollars to be used to support and prop up repressive regimes in various regions around

Child Watch...

by Marian Wright Edelman

She got pregnant, dropped out of high school, had the baby, and soon realized that all her childhood dreams of achieving a middle class lifestyle were now unlikely to be fulfilled. You've heard that before. It concerns me deeply that too many African American youngsters get pregnant, get into trouble, or give up hope, believing that education is not worth the effort.

But you haven't heard about Janice Wilson of Westwood, LA. All of that happened to her, for sure. What makes her different from too many other black teenagers is that when reality did set in nothing after her baby was born, Janice Wilson didn't give up.

Over two years ago, Janice became pregnant. She was bedridden for most of her pregnancy and was unable to keep up with her high

school classes. She dropped out. However, when the day came that she realized, as she puts it, "I couldn't sit still and do nothing." Janice decided not to sit still and decided to do something.

Janice knew she needed advice and wasn't afraid to ask for help. Fortunately, Westwood had a WAVE office (Work, Achievement, Values & Education program, formerly the 70001 Training & Employment Institute). Counselors helped get her priorities in order and recommended that she enroll in adult education classes, which she did.

Today, 19-year-old Janice is working towards an associate degree in nursing at a local community college. She knew her days would be busy, and they are. Early mornings mean getting her husband ready for work and daughter ready for day care. Janice attends classes until 1 p.m., then returns home to do chores. In the evening she has additional

classes, receives tutoring, and does homework. Janice has no doubt that her efforts will pay off, that eventually she will become a nurse. She wants to help people, especially children.

Meanwhile, Janice has remained active in the WAVE organization. She represented her home state of Louisiana at WAVE's national conference, and was elected a member of its fourperson National Leadership Team. That means Janice will serve two years as a national spokesperson for WAVE. I wish everyone could hear her message.

Whenever Janice has an opportunity, she tells youth and adults alike about her educational experience. She emphasizes how vital schooling is to success, and that it's never too late to "hit the books."

Janice believes people often just need a little push, a little motivation, and she knows from experience that anybody can learn.

for granted. This was certainly apparent in Pennsylvania where Dick Thornburg, one of the most popular and respected elected officials in either party lost to a college professor who suffered from name recognition at the beginning of the campaign for US Senator and who was running for elected office for the first time.

For now middle class suburbanites are taking the lead in bucking traditional party loyalty but it won't take long for city dwellers fighting high rent, escalating property taxes, higher unemployment, cut backs in government services, de facto segregation in housing and schools to wake up and demand greater accountability from Democrats and Republicans (regardless of color) who make the policies and deci-

sions all of us must live with now and in the future.

It should be noted that Essex State Senator Wynona Lipman was the only candidate running for a sixth consecutive term unopposed. That speaks well for the Lady Senator from Newark, one of our community's most effective Trenton legislators.

In the 28th District (Essex) Newark Councilman Ronald Rice was reelected to his second full term in the Senate, defeating Brenda Jean-Pierre, a community activist, running on the Republican ticket. It was no contest. Rice has been visible and vocal in the state Senate and in the district while Jean-Pierre is known most to voters in Newark's West Ward and did not have the blessings of political leaders in the city.

All of the incumbent black Assemblymen won re-election: Willie Brown and Jackie Mattison (Newark) Stephani Bush (East Orange.) Wayne Bryant (Camden), Charles Mayes (Jersey City), and John Watson (Mercer County.)

They will be joined by three new black Assemblymen next January. Orange Mayor Robert Brown will take his oath of office for first-time colleagues, Republican Tom Smith, Mayor of Asbury Park and Willingboro Mayor, Pristia Anderson, who became a Republican candidate for the Assembly when she was denied candidacy by the Democratic Party.

John Watson won a sixth term in a squeaker. While other Democratic running mates were routed by Republican challengers, black voters in Trenton responded positively to Watson, paternal head of an extremely political family.

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achieving, then, so be it. If people want to doom our youth to failure, then, so be it. But, everyone needs to be clear, so that there isn't any shock or alarm when America finds itself asking and begging for handouts from their foreign landlords and bankers, or its youth are unable to compete in the global world market with their counterparts.

Sadly, this election has come and gone, with still over 60 percent of the people failing to participate in the democratic process. The apathy continues. The problems persist. The rhetoric continues. The losses continue to add up. Our future looks more dismal than ever. And, our children wait and wait, for the adults to provide some real leadership and direction.

"You can achieve any goal if you work hard," she says. "You have to reach within because motivation is within yourself. Sometimes people need help to bring it out. Someone believed in me."

Because someone believed in Janice and more importantly, because Janice believed in herself and did not let premature pregnancy and parenthood stand in her way, her baby daughter, Jasmine, stands to have a decent future as well. The lessons Janice learned will be passed on to Jasmine. Namely, to never give up, and that our goals are always within reach if we work hard enough to achieve them. While it's a "tougher" if you have a baby too soon, Janice's personal success is a needed reminder to us all that young people can turn themselves around and get back on track.

Marian Wright Edelman is president of the Children's Defense Fund, a national voice for children.

As I See It...

by Connie Woodruff

Armando Fontoura will be sworn in as Essex County Sheriff on New Year's Day 1992 thanks to his margin of victory supplied by Newark voters in this year's county-wide election.

Again, thanks to their support from Newark voters, Frecholder Linda Lordi Cavanaugh has already been sworn in because her interim term expired November 5. While Democrats were booted from office all over the state, the Party was successful in Essex where campaigns are always urban vs suburban ideologies and where registered and quasi-sympathetic Republicans are few and far between.

Fontoura is quoted in a daily

newspaper as attributing his success "to the Essex County Democratic Organization's ability to heal its differences and rally the voters."

That is probably only partially true. If blacks in Newark had decided to sit the election out as they once threatened to do when the sheriff candidate was not black, the result may have been a lot different. The same can be said of Lordi-Cavanaugh's campaign since she was practically unknown except to old line Newark Italian families with the once politically powerful "Down Neck Lordi family."

One of the "messengers" from the voters to Democratic and Republican leaders on Tuesday was that a majority of New Jerseyans are sick and tired of being taken

Election '91 — Who are the real winners and losers?

Quote of the Week

"My fellow African Americans...you should never forget that any black person in America who is not paranoid is sick."

Justice Bruce M. Wright
at Paterson NAACP Dinner

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CAN'T TOUCH THIS It's Hammer time again

by Terry Benjamin

Premiere west coast rapper (Stanley Kirk Burrell) returns with "Too Legit to Quit," an LP that creates its own power from original music written by Hammer and Felton C. Platte II and lyrics by Hammer. This is an extremely polished production that should surpass the success of "Please Hammer Don't Hurt 'Em," the 15 million plus seller that earned Hammer 5 American Music Awards, 3 Grammy Awards, and 2 MTV Video Music Awards. On this eagerly anticipated outing, Hammer provides music for the spirit as well as the mind and the body.

"Do Not Pass Me By" is a Hammer style reworking of a traditional gospel tune that takes this rap superstar to his East Oakland, California roots. In 1980 Hammer began his show business career as "The Holy Ghost Boy," a gospel rapper who danced and performed in clubs with two deejays and three girls. On "Do Not Pass Me By," Hammer raps: "They took me to the water/I went down in Your name/Repented all my sins/And I haven't been the same." Going beyond the gospel stylings of "Pray," Hammer presents a truly black gospel experience that is made even more authentic with the featured vocals of Transmute Hawkins, an established gospel singer.

Slipping into the mind of one of the "six hundred thousand brothers" in the nation's prison system, Hammer offers a sobering exploration of a spiritually dead soul on "Brothers Hold On" as he tells the sad but familiar tale of an inner city drug dealer: "I'm scared as hell I really

don't want this life/If it's wrong or if it's right/It's not my fault that's what I keep sayin'/And inside my mind/Help me, Lord, yo/Now I'm

Because we're equal. Socially conscious rap can also be found on "Living In A World Like

*I got the mission and the mission is clear
To keep the people movin' for as long as I'm here
Never fearin' the moment when my time is up
Because the Hammer Time moved a whole lot of butt
From east to west and from west to east
I got them all clappin' to my message of peace*

Releasing Some Pressure
Hammer

'prayin'." This is the most effective anti-drug statement since KRS-One's "Love's Gonna Get Cha" as Hammer continues: "I'm dyin' fast and I feel cold/Losin' my life at twenty years old."

One cure to the spiritual illness that effects many today can be found by heeding the simple message of "Find Yourself A Friend," a swing-along, sing-a-long track with an infectious groove. If "Find Yourself A Friend" lifts spirits, "Lovehold" should put listeners on a love high. "I want you to wrap your love around me/And set me free," Hammer raps as Felton C. Platte II vocalizes in a soothing falsetto.

Hammer proves he is more than a superficial party rapper on "Tell Me (Why Can't We Live Together) where he raps:

*My song call it a story a statement to open up eyes
A vision a dream my prayer to multiply
The love of our nation of our world
And of our people
No one is ever less than the other*

This" where Hammer raps in the persona of a "desperate man" who winds up in jail. Hammer paints a thought provoking picture: "I sweat and I hustle day after day/And Sunday in church You know I kneel and pray/Lord, please forgive me for my sins/But I'm trapped deep it's the world I live in."

"Street Soldiers" deals with the reality of young black men who die on the streets of Oakland, victims of gang warfare as a super serious Hammer asks: "Why are brothers killing brothers?" Continuing in this socially conscious mode is "Good to Go," a salute to the brother that works a 9 to 5, trying to make an honest living.

This LP will move souls and minds but there is also fuel for the dance floor. "Burn it Up" is an invitation to dance and a reply to Hammer's detractors: "Can't comprehend in your mind/How the Hammer does it every time/Making his afterlife/You jealous MC's you need to quit."

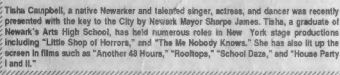
Hammer presents a novelty dance rap on "Addams Groove," a

track for the big screen debut of the Adams Family, the popular T.V. family of ghoulish neighbors.

"Count it Off" and "Gaining Momentum" provide music to practice new Hammer dance steps while "This is the Way We Roll" provides beats for the sound system and some autobiographical rapping: "Five years of hippin' an' a hoppin' 87 is when the Hammer started poppin' Poppin' got strong and now I'm stronger The ladies love a man who can last longer."

But the best music, a concoction of funk and hip hop, can be found on the dance jam "Releasing Some Pressure" where Hammer throws some verbal jabs at his competition: "Step off cause the mic is mine A lot of MC's just mystify me They won't ever improve cause their mind is fooled No matter what I say they just don't want to be schooled."

"Rollin' On (Oaktown Style)" is a reprise of "This is the Way We Roll." Hammer has put together his most ambitious LP to date with "Too Legit to Quit" as he strikes out beyond the ghettoized celebrity of rap music artists. This superstar rapper covers all musical bases on this one. The title track "Too Legit to Quit" sums up the history of the rap Hammer has traveled to international recognition: "Step to the rhythm of a sho nuff winner I been here before I ain't no beginner But I been new tried and true Survival of the fittest y'all It brought me through."



Tasha Campbell, a native New Yorker and talented singer, actress, and dancer was recently presented with the key to the City by Newark Mayor Sharpe James. Tasha, a graduate of Newark's Arts High School, has had numerous roles in New York stage productions including "Little Shop of Horrors," and "The Me Nobody Knows." She has also lit up the screen in films such as "Another 48 Hours," "Ricochet," "School Daze," and "House Party I and II."

Girl Scout Council Resource Center opens in Newark

NEWARK — The Girl Scout Council of Greater Essex County opened a new resource center in Newark to better serve Newark Girl Scouts and volunteers.

The opening of a local resource center in Newark will enable the Girl Scout Council to provide traditional troop activities and special projects for Newark's youth that not only will be educational and recreational, but a deterrent to negative behavior. The Resource Center will be used for adult training, large meetings, special events, and storage of program and training materials.

In addition to traditional troop activities, the Girl Scout Council of Greater Essex County also provides outreach projects to serve hard-to-reach populations like the In-School Scouting for the Handicapped Program, the Hispanic Outreach Project, Newark Summer Scene, and others.

The Newark Resource Center was made possible through a collaborative agreement with the United Community Corporation which leases the facility's space to the Girl Scout Council. For more information call 201-242-7121 or 201-746-8200.

NFTE sets up Trenton/South Jersey division

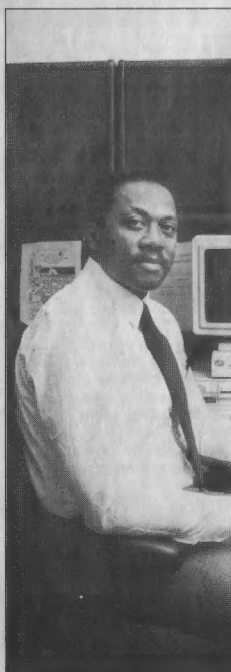
TRENTON — In a further expansion of its entrepreneurial training, the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship to Disadvantaged Youth (NFTE) is establishing a Trenton/South Jersey Division. Kevin Wortham, a teacher for the organization in its extensive program with the Newark Boys & Girls Club, a Trenton native and resident, will head up the new division.

In the four years since its founding, NFTE has grown from a single program teaching 18 youngsters at the Newark Boys & Girls Club, to training for 1,400 youth each year in programs at Jane Addams and Evander Childs High Schools in the South Bronx, Park West High School in Manhattan, programs for Madison Square Boys & Girls Club at its

clubhouses in the Bronx, Brooklyn and Manhattan, and for the Boys Club of New York on the lower East Side.

There are summer programs, as well, under the aegis of the Graduate School of Business at Columbia University, at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and at the University of Southern California.

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IT'S TOO LEGIT TO QUIT!

BeBe and CeCe take Newark by storm

by David Thomas

NEWARK — On Saturday, November 2nd, the highly successful gospel duo, BeBe and CeCe Winans came to town as part of the eastern leg of their nationwide Different 1. Lifestyle tour. Not only has the duo grown musically as is evidenced by the quality of the songs and production contained on the LP, Different 1. Lifestyles, but their live performance has evolved immensely. Unlike their last tour for the album Heaven in which they utilized a tape containing the musical accompaniment to back them, this time they came complete with a full sized band of consummate musicians and original arrangements of their hits which allowed them much more room to express their talents.

Appearing with BeBe and CeCe in Newark were two new gospel recording artists: Margaret Bell, sister of gospel sensation Vanessa Bell Armstrong, wife of Philadelphia Eagles running back Keith Byars, and an outstanding vocalist in her own right and gospel rapper and guitar wizard Mike E. One of the evening's highlights occurred when BeBe and CeCe joined her onstage for a good, old-fashioned jam session on "I Choose to be a Believer," a song BeBe penned and produced for Margaret's debut release.

BeBe and CeCe, along with

other contemporary artists are sometimes criticized by traditionalists who claim their music borders on being secular. Comments CeCe, "We realize that no matter what you do or who you are, everybody's not going to enjoy what you do. Contemporary gospel music is all we've ever done. It's not that we planned to do something different. We grew up listening to Rance Allen and Andrae Crouch, so we didn't think we were doing anything new or different. I guess because we were so young when we started that contemporary is the kind of music that attracted us."

As one of the top selling gospel artists in the industry — their album is currently number one on the R&B charts — BeBe and CeCe have a unique opportunity for exposure to young people. Regarding what type of image they desire to portray to youth, BeBe says, "Our aim is to let young people know that you can have a good time and that Christianity is not a boring lifestyle. You can have a good time and live a clean life. Most of all, we want young people not to be afraid to stand up and be different. You don't have to be controlled by peer pressure."

BeBe and CeCe are quick to acknowledge the impact their fa-

mous brothers, The Winans, have had upon them. Notes CeCe, "They've had a great impact on us. They started out professionally before we did. I think they're great. We've learned a lot from them. They're very professional on their albums as well as performing live. I think their songs have always had substance to them, but yet they have the beat in there as well. We've sat back and watched them for years, and I think they were great people for us to be able to watch and to be around so that we would know what to do when we decided to come out."

As the female member of the group, CeCe says that she hasn't been hindered in any way in expressing herself though many denominations allow women to speak and teach. Says CeCe, "I think I've always been comfortable in the back, but that's just my personality. I really prefer singing background more so than singing lead, but God's plan for me was to step out. I can see that, and that's why I do what I do. But, being a sister hasn't been a hindrance because whatever the Lord gives me to say, I'm gonna say and whatever he gives me to do I'm gonna do. BeBe does lead the majority of the time, and I kind of sit back, but I'm comfortable with that."

Despite the contemporary sound, ministering the gospel is of

prime importance to BeBe and CeCe.

"Ministry for us comes first. It always has and always will. But, I think the reason why we've been able to crossover and reach those

people who don't normally go to church and wouldn't normally turn on Christian radio is that we had to realize that just because it's gospel music doesn't mean that it has to be low class. In order to reach a certain

segment of the population, you have to present yourself in a professional, polished way. And we've worked on polishing ourselves but being

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McDonald's and Dr. Frank Field team up for fire safety

by Stacey Peterson

NEW YORK CITY — McDonald's restaurants in the tri-state area and Dr. Frank Field, Senior Health and Science Editor of WCBS-TV, initiated a fire safety program as a major component of Fire Safety Week and National Fire Safety Month in October.

The program called, "Plan to Get Out Alive," called for brochures of fire safety tips and quizzes for children to be distributed throughout McDonald's restaurants in the metropolitan New York area. To further emphasize the program, Dr. Field featured a series of fire safety tips during Fire Safety Week which was October 1-13.

Dr. Field explained that his in-

terest in fire safety stemmed from several years ago when he noticed the amount of deaths that took place in the area due to fire. He said that an incident where a young child was killed in a fire peaked his curiosity and prompted him to ask some questions.

Dr. Field's fire prevention program began in 1988 and around this time each year, he, McDonald's, and the area fire agents spotlight fire safety. Along with the brochures and his television broadcasts, he has also put together a video that is distributed throughout the country by McDonald's.

Dr. Field said that the response has been very encouraging saying that he receives several letters thanking him and informing him how the video has helped people save their

lives and those of others.

"Most people have a total misconception about fire," Dr. Field said, "that's why we start with the basics — things not taught in school."

He explained that one of the first things done is to educate people and thwart the misconceptions of fire, then they begin to teach the significant aspects of saving oneself and others during a fire. The program also teaches people how to use fire extinguishers as well as the methods for getting out in different situations. The program addresses each instance and focuses on the importance of fire drills, smoke detectors, and what should and should not be done during a fire.

Bible telling in Plainfield

PLAINFIELD — Bible telling will take place on Friday evening, 7 to 9 p.m., November 15, at the First Park Baptist Church in Plainfield. This is the third program to be presented and will be held as a monthly event for teenagers interested in learning Bible stories. The agenda for the evening is to hear a story, learn a story, and after a brief break, to tell the story.

Christian youth groups are welcome. There is no admission fee, but groups are asked to contribute some soda or chips for refreshments and participation is encouraged.

First Park Baptist Church is located at the corner of W. 7th and Central Avenue in Plainfield. Drew Willard, a professional storyteller, will be presenting this program. For more information call 908-756-5322.

Navy man

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"It's a great program that gives us a chance to show the young people what a good education can do for them," said Fuller, the son of Frances M. Fuller of Newark. "Whenever I go down to the school, I get a chance to interact with the kids in a positive way."

Adopting the school is a big responsibility which NETSPAC takes seriously. Sponsors visit the school on a regular basis to tutor the students in English, math, science and other basics.

In addition to lectures and speeches for classes, there are also a number of field trips sponsored. Some of them include tours to Navy ships, dental facilities, and schools like the jet fighter training center of "Top Gun" fame. Other activities like whale watching excursions, attending local air demonstrations, and visiting local colleges, provide community interaction for the kids.

"It gives children who have no parental guidance someone to look up to," said Fuller, a 1985 graduate of Science High School. "It gives them a role model who they can strive to be like."

The goal is to promote academic, emotional, and social development at an early age. The sponsors serve as role models for the students by giving them someone positive to identify with. Serving as advisors and counselors, the sponsors also try to impress the importance of staying in school and staying away from drugs and crime.

"Kids who have a role model tend to stay home and study," Fuller said. "Then the community doesn't have to worry about them staying out late, causing trouble." The idea of thinking nationally and acting locally is a concept that Fuller and his command understand. While painting a brighter picture for the future is challenging for Horton Elementary and its Navy friends, their partnership in education may be the way to an "A" report card by the year 2000.



Philip Morris Doesn't Want Kids To Smoke

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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

SOMERVILLE, NJ—"Misty Duke," a salute to the Duke Ellington era, at the Park Valley Community College Theatre starting Herb Jeffries & The Ellington Alumni Orchestra, with songstress Barbara McKel, John and Dorinda Mills of the Mills Brothers and tap dancer Genea Bell. For more info, call 908-759-9425.

NEWARK, NJ—Merger's Dance Co. will be featured Nov. 15 at Mary B. Baruch Theatre, Essex County College, 303 University Ave., at 11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10; \$6 students. For more info, call 201-877-4425 or 4426.

CRANFORD—Lenny Burns, assistant director of the Park Valley Community College Planetarium in North Branch, will speak on "The Universe: As Viewed by Space Artists," 6:30 p.m. in the Roy W. Smith Theater of Union County College. Phone 908-276-0786 for info.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

WATCHUNG—The Watchung Arts Center will present Alice Helgeson singing opera and show tunes. Call 908-753-0190 for info.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

SUMMIT—The Howard Alden-Dan Darnes Quintet will play at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts. Call 908-273-0121 for info.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

NEW YORK—The New Rath Theater Co. presents a series of staged play readings, Monday evenings at 8:00 p.m. beginning Nov. 18 and running through February. Call 212-967-7079 for info.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

NEW BRUNSWICK, NJ—State Theatre presents "La Traviata," by Western Opera Theatre, sung in English at 8:00 p.m. For more information, call 908-246-7469.

NEWARK, NJ—"White America," a student production will be presented at Mary B. Baruch Theatre, Essex County College, 303 University Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 23. Tickets \$10-\$5 students. For more info, call 201-877-4425 or 4426.

NEWARK, NJ—"Out of Line" will be featured by the Ensemble Theatre Company at Newark Symphony Hall, 1030 Broad St. Nov. 15. For more info, call 201-642-0133.

TEANECK—Rosalind Jeffries, Adjunct Professor from Jersey City State College will discuss "The Artistic Mind of African Americans: Ancient Egypt, West Africa, New Jersey," at 8 p.m. in Muscarelle Hall of Fairleigh Dickinson. Call 201-857-8003 for details.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6

BRANCHBURG, NJ—Singer Marianna VerPlase will be featured at the Park Valley Community College Theatre, Rt. 28 & Langston Rd. For more info, call 908-725-9459.

As I See It

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East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper's star continues to rise in the Democratic Party heavens. The energetic youngish Cooper was campaign manager for Essex County's winning Democratic ticket.

Newark's Mildred Crump has put active politics on the back burner while she devotes her time to nursing husband, Cecil, back to health.

If you're planning a trip to Miami, Florida, soon, you may run into a once active Newarker, Earl Phillips, former housing administrator in Morristown and Newark and a vice president at UMDNJ is the new executive director of the Housing and Urban Development in Miami.

Shock of the Week: Dorian Paris, model, entertainer, impersonator, dress designer and wig stylist died early Tuesday morning. Paris had been off the Newark night life scene for nearly two years, taking care of his long time friend and devoted companion, the late Bobby White who succumbed to AIDS two months ago.

Next week: What the new district lines in Newark may mean to candidates in the Mayor-Council elections in 1994.

'Rich from within,' a modern morality play

by David Thomas

RAHWAY — Last month at Rahway High School, The Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial Committee presented a new musical play written and directed by Rahway resident Mack C. Williams entitled "Rich From Within."

The play chronicles the fortunes and misfortunes of Richard, an upwardly mobile young Burpy who has a comfortable position with a real estate firm and a relationship with a young lady who also happens to be a mover and shaker in the corporate world. Due, however, to his lack of productivity and constant falling asleep on the job, he is soon fired from his job upon hearing of which his fiancée Janice decides to

dump him and take up with someone who can adequately support her upwardly mobile tastes and lifestyle. So, in the space of a few days, Richard goes from being a comfortable middle class young black man to quite literally being homeless on the streets.

While living on the streets, he must adjust to how others now view him (as he once viewed the "bums" he used to pass by), but in the process finds some other homeless friends who together help one another to survive both spiritually and physically. It is through his new associates' devotion through the worst of times and the ultimate intervention of a former co-worker, Michelle, who has always loved him and whom Richard stumbles across one day that he discovers

what a true friend really is.

In the play's climax, Richard inherits some money after Janice has returned to see if he has had a "change of attitude" and is ready to do something with his life. Instead of selling out his friends, Richard purchases an apartment for his homeless friends and chooses to marry Michelle over Janice.

The play is a modern day morality play of sorts with songs and script all written by Mack Williams. The musical selections as a whole were well written and performed. The ensemble acting also worked well with Vivian Drayton standing out in her role as Terri, a humorous bag lady who befriends Richard. "Rich From Within" is good black community play which you should check out if it comes to your area.

BeBe and CeCe

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careful not to lose the substance, the ministry, which is the most important part. Without the anointing, without His message then it's just another form of music. And, if we were going to do that, we could just go ahead and do pop, R&B, or whatever else one might want to do.

We've been called to do what we do, and we're proud of it. The ministry definitely comes first. We just dress it up a little bit and make sure the quality is there so that it can be played on the radio and compete with what's out there. So far, God has blessed us to do just that, and we're excited about it."

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NAACP head Dr. Benjamin Hooks honored



Dr. Benjamin Hooks

PURCHASE, NY — Corporate America will gather December 11 at the New York Hilton and Towers to honor Dr. Benjamin Hooks, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) for a lifetime of service to the civil rights movement. Corporate chairman for the event is Roger Enrico, chairman of PepsiCo, Inc., a division of PepsiCo, Inc.

Dr. Hooks is beginning his 15th year as executive director for the NAACP. Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the largest and oldest civil rights organization in the world, with more than 2,200 local branches and a nationwide membership of more than 500,000 individuals.

Under the leadership of Dr. Hooks, the NAACP has had an active and broad role in minority affairs. NAACP programs assist poor

and minority people in the fields of education, employment, voter registration and information, youth programs and prison reforms. The organization also monitors and proposes legislation that affects civil and human rights.

Dr. Hooks was appointed executive director in 1977. In 1979 he led the Prayer Vigil in Washington, DC and was successful in helping defeat the anti-busing amendment. In 1980 he became the first civil rights leader to address both the Democratic and Republican national conventions in the same year.

Leaders from more than 1,500 corporations will honor Dr. Hooks. Entertainment will be provided by musician Lionel Hampton and his band.

For more information on the dinner contact Dean Sayles at 212-260-1070.

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SECAUCUS—1991 Helping Hand Awards Dinner at the Meadowlands Hilton, sponsored by the NYNJ MPC. For info, call 718-245-6000.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

CHICAGO—Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement Conference at the Palmer House, sponsored by HACE. For info, call 312-372-4865.

WESTFIELD—Marti Lynch will hold a free seminar on "17 Year End Tax Saving Strategies for 1991" at the Westfield office at 195 Elm Street on Tuesday, Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. For reservations and information call 908-789-4355.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

TRENTON—New Jersey Division of Trade will sponsor a trade mission by travel thru December 6. For info, contact Andrew Leventstein at 201-648-7121.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12

NEWARK—Breakfast Forum: "Customer Service in All Phases of Your Business: Why is it Important," sponsored by the Greater Newark Small, Women & Minority Business Council at Arhauer-Busch, Route 1-8. Fee \$10. For info, call 201-624-1007.

William Reed

AUBURN HILLS, MI NNPA—At a press luncheon with reporters in his company's new \$1.1 billion technology center, Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca hedged on whether he sided with Clarence Thomas' or Anita Hill's credibility the most. But, regarding business, Chrysler, like Black America, has been at the back of the pack for many years and Iacocca unhesitatingly comes down squarely on the side of education and internal investment to fuel the future and fate of his company and people. The luncheon was part of the grand opening festivities for this Fortune 500 company to showcase its enhanced future by investing in itself. The Chrysler Technology Center (CTC), a sprawling giant of a building that housed the luncheon, is a monument of Iacocca's, and Chrysler's, dedication to education, research and business renaissance.

Like Black America, Chrysler has had many financial woes. Since Iacocca joined the company in 1978, some days for Chrysler have had diamonds and some days have been just plain stone. Despite the company's past ups and downs, Iacocca insists that, "This technical center represents a new culture for everybody—starting with me." For the first time in its history, Chrysler has grouped all the people involved in conceiving, developing, and refining Chrysler's car and truck ideas

for future success under one roof. In its belief that it must "educate to elevate," Chrysler built the CTC to be the largest industrial-technology complex in the world. One and a half Empire State Buildings or seven Rose Bowls can fit inside the Chrysler Technology Center. The CTC is bigger than the Library of Congress Building, the Capitol, Treasury, and the White House Residence combined. The building's 70,000 square foot Education Center contains 19 classrooms, two lecture halls with tiered seating for 56 persons and a 543-seat auditorium. The CTC will house 7,000 Chrysler employees by 1993.

Chrysler's ultimate goal is to give itself the ultimate advantage. The company made its substantial investment to slash the time it takes to develop its products to as little as three years from four or more. This will make it easier for Chrysler to compete with Japanese rivals that recently have been reaching the market first with models containing state-of-the-art features and contemporary designs. "We see this center as a monument to long-term thinking," Iacocca said. "We spent the money to ensure Chrysler's future into the 21st century. This place is our commitment to strengthening America's industrial base," he added.

Black America has reason to wish for Chrysler's success in

strengthening its position in America's industrial base. Many of our blue and white collar jobs into the 21st century will come from Chrysler and the American automobile industry. Much of our training, skills, and urban tax revenues will come via Chrysler and its advancement. As a part of its practices, Chrysler has capital deposits in minority banks and dealer development programs to assist more blacks in acquiring retail outlets for car sales.

While Chairman Iacocca did note Thomas' and Hill's decade-old workplace squabble, of greater note to him was the educational opportunities the CTC will provide his people to elevate their careers and Chrysler's business possibilities. This type of internal investment is something that black leaders and consumers should also take note of.

Who's Who. Jennifer Lawson is a 45-year-old Washington, D.C.-based Executive Vice President of National Programming and Promotion Services for the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS). In charge of a \$105 million annual budget, Ms. Lawson is PBS' first black female executive V.P. She supervises 72 people and is responsible for identifying, financing, distributing, and promoting programs to 342 public television affiliates throughout the country.

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Request for Proposals

The Housing Authority of the Borough of Carteret (the "Authority") has received approval from the U.S. Department of HUD for a modernization project to be known as Phase NJ 47-011. The Projects affected and work to be performed is as follows:

PROJECT WORKS

1. NJ 047-001 Removal and replace Sanitary Sewer Piping. Repair structural crack in walls and floors and defects and rehabilitate community room.
 2. NJ 047-002 Removal and replacement of roof, facias, soffits and vents and and NJ 047-004 Improve drainage. Replace gutters, downspouts and splash blocks.
- The professional services required are bidding document preparation, evaluation of bids, inspection of work, completion of HUD-11 forms, review of contractor requests for payment, review of change order requests, review and approve close-out documents and any other services required to complete the subject works items.
- Interested parties shall respond by providing the following:
1. Letter of Interest.
 2. Statement that it is understood as to the work to be performed.
 3. Evidence of firm's ability to perform the work.
 4. Evidence that the architect or engineers that will perform the work are licensed in New Jersey.
 5. Profile of firm's principals, staff and facilities.
 6. Certification that the firm's principals or staff have not been disbarred or suspended from professional practice by any Federal, State or Local Agency.
 7. Fee charged by firm to perform the work.

Proposals must be received at the office of the Authority by 11:00 a.m. on December 6, 1991.

Any questions should be addressed to c/o Michelle L. Howard-Hudson, Executive Director of the Authority.

11-6-91

MICHELLE L. HOWARD-HUDSON
Executive Director

INVITATION TO BID EXTENSION/PEST CONTROL

The Housing Authority Of The City Of Passaic is soliciting bids for Extension and Pest Control, for all of the Authority's facilities.

Bidders are to submit their Bid in a Sealed Envelope Marked "Bid For Extension and Pest Control." Specification may be obtained between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday at 333 Passaic Street, Passaic, New Jersey 07055.

The Bid Opening will be held at 12:00 noon (prevaling time) on Wednesday, December 4, 1991 at the Administration Office, 333 Passaic Street, Passaic, New Jersey. NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

The Housing Authority of the City of Passaic Reserves The Right To Reject Any And All Bids. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of 90 days without the consent of the Housing Authority of the City of Passaic.

Please contact Mr. G. M. Russo, Purchasing Assistant at (201) 473-4900 extension 24 if you have any questions.

G.M. Russo
Purchasing Assistant

11-6-91

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Separate sealed proposals will be received by the Morris County Housing Authority on December 5, 1991 at 2:30 p.m. prevailing time in the Morris County Housing Authority at Morris News, Ketch Road and West Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, New Jersey for:

PAINTING OF MORRIS NEWS, MORRIS TOWNSHIP - INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR DOORS AND MISCELLANEOUS METAL WORK

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November 13, 1991 Robert L. Strator
Executive Director
Morris County Housing Authority

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS CORRECTION

The Housing Authority Of The City Of Passaic Is Inviting qualified Architectural and Engineering firms to submit information regarding their Qualification to serve as the Authority's Engineering Consultant For The Design of Sprinkler Suppression Systems at Various Sites.

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Interested firms should contact the Authority: G.M. Russo, Purchasing Assistant in writing to Passaic Street, Passaic, New Jersey 07055. Bids by calling (201) 473-4900 no later than Tuesday, November 26, 1991. Upon notification of your interest, the Authority will send an invitation package to the firm outlining in more detail the qualification requirements, scope of work and deadline for submission. The authority is not requesting Fee Proposal from interested firms at this time.

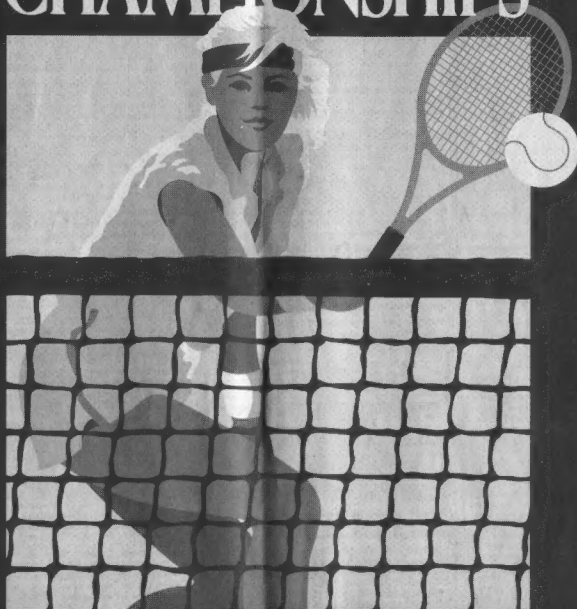
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